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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence
Deputy Director for Operations
Deputy Director for Science and Technology
Deputy to the DCI for National Intelligence
Officers

Gentlemen:

1. In the attached correspondence [redacted] brings STATINTL up for consideration the establishment of a living memorial in academia for [redacted] STATINTL
2. I have some difficulties with the proposal and I would appreciate receipt of your thoughts regarding this matter. When I have received them all, I will raise the matter at a collective forum.

[redacted] STATINTL

John F. Blake
Deputy Director
for
Administration

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration

SUBJECT : Letter from [redacted] STATINTL

1. Please note the attached letter from [redacted] one of STATINTL our DDO officers and an old friend and classmate of [redacted]. STATINTL I will leave to you the further development of his idea of some way of commemorating Dick but only would like to indicate that I would be happy to contribute or participate in any way you might think appropriate.

2. Please note also the remark about the possible interest in employment by [redacted]. I leave this matter also to you. STATINTL

[redacted] STATINTL

W. E. Colby
Director

Attachment:

As stated

19 January 1976

Dear Bill,

Before you go:

STATINTL

Thank you for letting me join you in saying something when you gave [redacted] the Distinguished Intelligence Cross for Dick. It was the best that I could do to mark a very special friendship of 28 years. But it was not my farewell, for the friendship will endure in many ways, and there is much left to do on Dick's behalf. We are all in some measure his surrogates.

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I have written to [redacted] and an acquaintance who is [redacted], to get his views on considering the role of intelligence in American foreign policy and national life in a Harvard forum as one way to commemorate Dick's life. Chase had called Dave McGrath before the funeral to express the hope that Harvard would be represented, as indeed it was. The JFK School of Politics might be the appropriate place for such a forum. I would like to keep you advised of progress in this, for I -- and I know [redacted] as well -- would hope you would participate in whatever endeavor evolves. My feeling is that there would be no better location for such a debate, given Dick's devotion to Harvard and Harvard's commitment to thoughtful debate of intelligent controversy. And I think the endeavor should be private and personal, separate from any official connection with the Agency. My guess is that you and George Bush and Bill Nelson would agree.

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I have seen [redacted] frequently in the last several days, and she is looking resolutely to the future. She is a sturdy person, though she says she still finds the nights and sleeping to be hard. She much looks forward to coming to work with us, and to establishing a household for herself and Dick's great-hearted father. Of the many things that happened during the days after Dick's death, I think nothing touched her more than the visit you and your wife made to her while she was in Georgetown Hospital.

For your own future, Bill: I and so many other colleagues watch your departure with regret, regret that you never really had an opportunity to manage the Agency as you would have wished. We give you our gratitude for your magnanimity of spirit in confronting the mixed legacy of others, keeping the Agency and tomorrow -- not self-exculpation and yesterday -- central to your purpose.

Sincerely,

[redacted] STATINTL